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For: RADIALLY EXPANDABLE  
POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated December 4, 2006, for which a response was due on March 4, 2007. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a two months extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to May 4, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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